

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN MEMORY OF JAMES F.  
MCHENRY

**HON. IKE SKELTON**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 11, 2003*

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sadness that I inform the House of the death of Mr. James F. McHenry of Jefferson City, MO.

Mr. McHenry was born October 26, 1930, in St. Louis, MO, and was the son of Foster and Ellen Waddill McHenry. He graduated from Jefferson City High School in 1948 and was a 1952 graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia. Mr. McHenry graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law in 1971. He also served his country in the Korean War and was awarded a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart.

Mr. McHenry served as the traffic manager, director, and secretary of the Capital City Telephone Company. He served as president of the St. Thomas Dial, Inc. and vice president of Midstate Telephone Company. In 1971, Mr. McHenry started his career as an attorney by going into private practice in Jefferson City, MO. He left that practice in 1972, but formed Hyder and McHenry Law Firm in 1979. He was Cole County prosecuting attorney from 1973 through 1978. In 1981, he was appointed circuit judge, 19th judicial circuit of Cole County, by then Governor Christopher Bond. Mr. McHenry was elected to this bench in 1982 and again in 1988. He then retired in 1994.

Mr. McHenry was very active in his community. He was a past vice chairman, Jefferson City Convention and Visitors Bureau; past chairman, Jefferson City Board of Adjustment, Jefferson City Industrial Commission, and Jefferson City Parking and Traffic Commission. Mr. McHenry also served as past president of Cole County Conservation Federation, Jefferson City Host Lions Club, Jefferson City Veterans Council, and Board of Trustees of Memorial Community Hospital. He was a past member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board; past director and vice president of the Industrial Committee of the Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce. Mr. McHenry also served as past commander of Oliver-Buerhle Chapter Number 17, Disabled American Veterans. He was a past president of Cole County Historical Society; a past member of the board of directors, City National Saving & Loan Association and was a past member, executive board, Great River Council, Boy Scouts of America. He was also a member of a large number of other organizations.

Mr. Speaker, James McHenry was a valuable leader in his community. I know the Members of the House will join me in extending heartfelt condolences to his family: his brother John and his fiancée Debra Brown.

TRIBUTE TO MR. CLIFTON EDWARD PETTIFORD, IN MEMORIAM

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 11, 2003*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call the attention of my colleagues to Mr. Clifton Edward Pettiford. Mr. Pettiford passed away on Tuesday, January 21, 2003, in his hometown of Durham, North Carolina, after an extended illness. Mr. Pettiford was a dedicated, loving man and will be greatly missed by his friends and family.

Clifton Pettiford was born on December 12, 1944, to the late Nathaniel and Evelyn Goss-Pettiford. He grew up and attended public schools in Durham and attended the North Carolina Central University. After graduating, Mr. Pettiford honored his country by serving in the United States Army and he received an Honorable Discharge. Clifton was a hard-working man as evidenced by his employment as a chef at Duke University Dining Halls in North Carolina and the Owens-Illinois Glass Company in Durham and Ingalls Shipbuilders in Pascagoula, Mississippi. Upon moving to New Jersey, Mr. Pettiford spent twenty years working at Midland and Anchor Glass Company until the plant closed in 1995. In November of 1997, Clifton took advantage of a job opportunity with Coors Brewery in Golden, Colorado, and he moved to Wheatridge, Colorado where he remained until the onset of his illness.

In addition to his strong work ethic, Mr. Pettiford enjoyed volunteering his time to various organizations, of which I was fortunate enough to witness on many occasions. Clifton Pettiford was also a valued member of the Mount Zion AME Zion Church of Eatontown, New Jersey.

Clifton was married to Wanda Parker-Pettiford from 1969 to 2002. He leaves behind a daughter Monica and a granddaughter Ymoni Pettiford-Tittle. In addition, he had four siblings, Alma, Glenda, Garrie, and James as well as numerous aunts, nieces, nephews, and cousins who will continue to cherish their fond memories of him.

Clifton Edward Pettiford had many friends and colleagues who affectionately knew him as a fun-loving, giving individual who loved life and people. His friends and family greatly enjoyed his company and will sorely miss him. On this day, I ask my fellow colleagues to join with me in honoring and remembering this extraordinary individual.

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE TO THE FAMILIES OF THE CREW OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE "COLUMBIA"

SPEECH OF

**HON. E. CLAY SHAW, JR.**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 5, 2003*

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise in tribute to the men and women of the Space Shuttle *Columbia*. As our Nation grieves their loss, may we take solace in their dedication to science, their commitment to space exploration, and their love of our country. This tragedy has shed light once again on the great risk our astronauts take willingly in the exploration of space. Our Nation swells with pride in their breathtaking achievements.

I salute *Columbia's* seven honorable astronauts, Commander Rick Husband, Pilot William McCool, Payload Commander Michael Anderson, Mission Specialist 1 David Brown, Mission Specialist 2 Kalpana Chawla, Mission Specialist 1 Laurel Clark, and Payload Specialist 1 Ilan Ramon of the state of Israel. Each served their country with honor and distinction. Their death has left a hole in our hearts and a deep void in the world of science. They will be sorely missed.

As the Nation grieves, this tragedy was also a personal loss for the 1,200 plus employees of Pratt & Whitney, a key partner in the exploration of space, located in Jupiter, Florida. Each astronaut, NASA official and employee, manufacturer, consultant and engineer are all part of an extended space industry family. Together they produce a product that is truly the envy of the world.

The people at Pratt & Whitney are charged with the responsibility of engineering, manufacturing, assembling, and testing the 75,000 horsepower main engine liquid-oxygen and liquid hydrogen turbo pumps that propel the shuttle through the deepest and darkest regions of space.

We, in Palm Beach County, are proud of the role that Pratt & Whitney has had in making the program successful and safe and look forward to its continuing to engineer new space and propulsion state-of-the-art technologies as we leap into the future.

Mr. Speaker, I Join my colleagues in offering my deepest condolences to the families of the Space Shuttle *Columbia's* crew, the NASA family located in Florida, Texas, and California, and the men and women of Pratt & Whitney.

A POEM HONORING THE  
"COLUMBIA" SHUTTLE HEROES

**HON. JOHN SHIMKUS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 11, 2003*

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to submit the following poem written by Brandon

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